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JOINT STATE-FEDERAL INVESTIGATION NETS 10 POUNDS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND 2 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JOSE CASTILLO-SANCHEZ, age 23, Indianapolis, IN., JAVIER TORRES, age 22, Indianapolis, IN. and ALAN BODTCHER, age 63, were arrested and charged in a criminal complaint following an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Indianapolis Police Department's Dangerous Drug Section, Indiana State Police, and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

The criminal complaint alleges that BODTCHER was transporting a large amount of methamphetamine (about 10 pounds) and cocaine (about 2 kilograms) in a Dodge pickup truck destined for Indianapolis, which was stopped and interdicted near Topeka, Kansas.

Further investigation led to the arrests of CASTILLO-SANCHEZ and TORRES at a residence located in the 1000 block of North Oxford Street in Indianapolis. A search of a residence connected with CASTILLO-SANCHEZ revealed a loaded Tech-9 assault weapon, a loaded 9 mm semiautomatic handgun, numerous rounds of live ammunition, narcotics packaging materials, a digital scale, drug ledgers, and "cutting" agents. CASTILLO-SANCHEZ, TORRES, and BODTCHER are charged with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and/or distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing methamphetamine, a Schedule II Non-Narcotic Controlled Substance; conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and/or distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing cocaine, a Schedule II Narcotic Controlled Substance. CASTILLO-SANCHEZ and TORRES are also charged with attempting to possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing methamphetamine, a Schedule II Non-Narcotic Controlled Substance and attempting to possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing cocaine, a Schedule II Narcotic Controlled Substance; and, unlawfully entering into the United States. CASTILLO-SANCHEZ is further charged with unlawfully possessing a firearm by an illegal alien. BODTCHER is also charged with possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing methamphetamine, a Schedule II Non-Narcotic Controlled Substance, and with possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing cocaine, a Schedule II Narcotic Controlled Substance.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Barry D. Glickman, who is prosecuting the case for the government, all defendants arrested in this case each face a maximum possible prison sentence of life and maximum possible fines of over \$12,000,000. An initial appearance

before a U.S. Magistrate Judge William T. Lawrence is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. today in U.S.. District Court in Indianapolis.

The criminal complaint is an allegation only, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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